



**IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH**

CRM-M No.65251 of 2023
Date of decision: 27th May, 2024

Inderjit Singh

... Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab & another

... Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MRS. JUSTICE MANJARI NEHRU KAUL

Present: Mr. Lakhwinder S. Sidhu, Advocate for the petitioner.

Mr. Navdeep Singh, Dy. Advocate General, Punjab
for the respondent/State.

Mr. Gurbir S. Sidhu, Advocate for respondent No.2.

MANJARI NEHRU KAUL, J. (ORAL)

1. The petitioner is seeking the concession of bail under Section 438 Cr.P.C. in case FIR No.307 dated 20.09.2023 under Sections 406, 420, 506 of the IPC and Sections 4 and 5 of the Prize Chits and Money Circulation Schemes (Banning) Act, 1978 registered at Police Station Tripri Patiala, District Patiala.

2. Learned State counsel, at the outset, has opposed the prayer made by the learned counsel for the petitioner for extending the concession of bail to him. He, on instructions from ASI Navdeep Singh, submits that the petitioner had induced the complainant to part with huge amount of money i.e. ₹22,08,000/- which was deposited in WSS Company through Bank transactions. He has also submitted that the petitioner has been declared as a proclaimed offender in one



criminal case though it is under Section 138 of the Negotiable Instruments Act, 1881.

3. Learned counsel for the petitioner, however, has controverted the instructions received by the learned State counsel. He submits that no doubt the petitioner was declared a proclaimed person in the year 2019, however, it was also a matter of record that he had since appeared and surrendered before the learned trial Court and had been admitted to bail.

4. I have heard learned counsel for the parties and perused the relevant material on record.

5. In the circumstances, it is directed that in the event of arrest, the petitioner shall be released on bail to the satisfaction of the Arresting/Investigating Officer. The petition stands allowed subject to the conditions laid down in Section 438(2) Cr.P.C.

(MANJARI NEHRU KAUL)
JUDGE

May 27, 2024
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Whether speaking/reasoned	Yes/No
Whether reportable	Yes/No